

Council rethinks 57 avenue parking ban

A total parking ban on 57 Avenue put in place at the July 13 regular meeting of Elk Point Town Council was again discussed at this Monday's meeting, following study of the design plans for the project. The plans, Council was told, allowed for parking on the south side of the Avenue, with the centre line offset to allow for this.

Council subsequently agreed to amend the previous decision, establishing a no parking zone along the north side of 57 Ave. from 51 Street to Highway 41 and on the south side from 49 Street to Highway 41, while parking will be permitted on the south side from 51 Street to 49 Street.

Parking along the newly widened Highway 41 was also discussed briefly, and will undergo further study in the near future.

Problems with discolored water supply at a home near the end of a dead-end water line were reviewed at some length. A decision was made to flush the line on a monthly basis through the hydrant at the end of the line to prevent possible stagnation and maintain the water quality for consumers on the line. Town Administrator Pat Vincent noted that all water lines are scheduled for cleaning in the near future.

A progress payment to Border Paving on their June work on the street and utility line upgrading project, in the amount of \$133,077.87 was approved. This sum is \$10,643.11 less than the total payment certificate, as some items require further clarification and explanation.

A long delayed payment of \$68,414.08 to Robertson Construction was approved. This amount was a holdback on the \$171,035.20 contract for waterline project pavement completed in June 1986, and was retained due to pavement deficiencies, which have since been corrected.

Council also agreed to apply for a draw of the \$64,716 in approved debenture borrowing for the curb and gutter portion of the street

upgrading and utility line project.

Imperial versus metric measurement of Elk Point's water provided fuel for considerable discussion, with the matter tabled for future deliberations prior to a decision. A water meter upgrading and replacement program is being planned, and a decision of which measurement should be used must be made before new meters are obtained.

A bylaw amending the Municipal Policy Handbook to permit the superintendent of Public Works to make expenditures for necessary supplies was given all three readings at Monday's meeting.

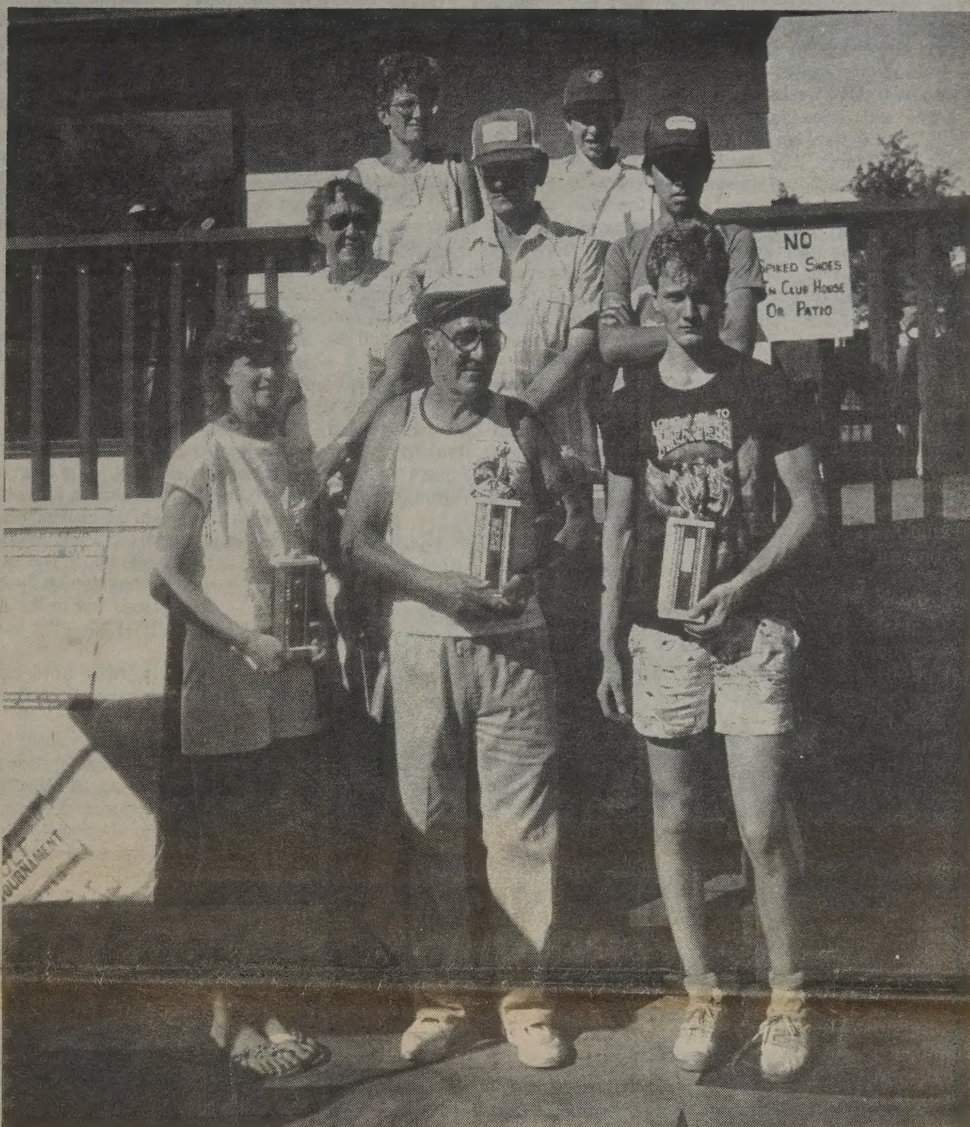
Another bylaw was given first reading, this regarding a municipal sidewalk construction program on a local improvement assessment basis. The affected property owners will be contacted by mail and have 21 days to oppose the project.

Dr. Patricia Rodgers, High Commissioner of the Bahamas, has accepted the Town's invitation to visit Elk Point in mid August. An itinerary is presently being prepared, and will tentatively include a visit to a pioneer family's homecoming celebration, a western-style pancake breakfast and possibly a covered wagon ride.

A ratepayer from whose property a 29 foot lane was subdivided in 1978, will receive a \$5 per year tax rebate for the 9 years since that time, because the assessment roll was never amended to reflect the change of ownership.

Pat Vincent will attend a Northern Alberta Development Council public hearing on the Town's behalf to advise the NADC of changes and current issues.

A letter directed to local banking institutions indicating the Town's concern over the Frog Lake Reserve's financing problems was brought to Council for their approval.



GOLF CHAMPIONS — At the Elk Point Golf and Country Club tournament were (front, l-r) Championship Flight winners: GERALYN SYLVESTRE, BILL MILHOLLAND, BLAINE

McLAUGHLIN; (2nd row, l-r) First Flight winners - Evelyn Babcock, Arnold Harper and Willie John; (back row, l-r) Second Flight winners - Bev Besspalko and Mike Wiebe.

Sun shines on ladies', seniors', juniors' golf championships

A super, sunny Sunday at Elk Point Golf and Country Club saw GERALYN SYLVESTRE, BILL MILHOLLAND and BLAINE McLAUGHLIN named champions in the annual Ladies', Seniors' and Juniors' Golf Tournament.

Mrs. Sylvestre, a Bonnyville area resident, defeated Kay Harper for the Ladies' Championship Flight honors. Ladies' First Flight winner was Evelyn Babcock, with Olga Lychak as

runner-up, while Bev Besspalko edged Pat Soldan for the Second Flight win.

Bill Milholland, who cruised the course in a handsome new ivory golf cart, won over Tony Nowosad in the Seniors' Championship flight. Arnold Harper topped the Seniors' First Flight, with John Karwandy as runner-up.

Blaine McLaughlin was winner of the Junior Championship Flight, with Chuck Ohland

runner-up. Willie John was Junior First Flight winner, with Darcy McLaughlin runner-up, and Mike Wiebe was Juniors' Second Flight winner, with Jacques Plouffe runner-up.

A total of 31 golfers took part in the tournament, and later enjoyed a steak barbecue on the shady deck of the spacious new clubhouse, built this spring by the Club and now virtually completed and ready for furnishing.

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grand opening

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Water line cleaning program set for August

Elk Point residents will be delighted to hear that the Town of Elk Point is undertaking a water line cleaning program. The program gets underway Tuesday, August 4, and will commence at the corner of 54 Street and Railway Avenue, working northward and eastward from that point.

Residents should be alerted to minor inconveniences which may

be experienced during the duration of the project.

Water interruptions will be temporary and residents should turn their cold water taps prior to any household usage to ensure no debris has been left in the service.

Anyone who has any concerns during the course of the program should contact the Town Office for further information and program updates.

Mayor's Proclamation Annual Civic Holiday

WHEREAS, the annual Civic Holiday has been traditionally celebrated on the first Monday in the month of August, and

WHEREAS, Section 247 of the Municipal Government Act being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980 with amendments thereto confers the power, and

WHEREAS, in the interests of the citizens of the Town of Elk Point that it is on their behalf a Civic Holiday should be declared.

THEREFORE, I, Byron Mann, Mayor of the Town of Elk Point, do hereby declare Monday, August 3rd, 1987 a Civic Holiday for the Town of Elk Point.

DATED AT ELK POINT THIS 27TH DAY OF JULY, 1987.

BYRON MANN, MAYOR
TOWN OF ELK POINT

Dewberry News

Bill Cowan, Charlie Saville and son Brian flew into Lake Athabasca and enjoyed three days of fantastic fishing, July 13 - 15. Bill's largest catch was a 24.77 pound jack which measured forty-five inches long with a diameter of twenty-one inches. Lots of the fish weighed eighteen and nineteen pounds.

Rita McKenna's daughter Dorothy and her family are out to visit from Toronto for three weeks.

Lorne and Helen Smith of Ailsa Craig, Ontario were here visiting Jim Honey and family. Jim was Lorne's troop sergeant in 1944. This was their third trip west. Both are active members of the Lion's and Lioness Clubs in their town, and are collectors of the different club pins. They added Dewberry's pins to their collection.

Dewberry Ladies Ball Team advance to Provincial Finals to be played at Lloydminster, August 1, 2 and 3, with twelve teams participating.

On July 18, the Provincial Fastball Zone Playoffs for Intermediate Ladies C were held in Blackfoot with three teams: Dewberry Linx Oilfield, Lougheed Rockettes and Blackfoot Dusters. Dewberry defeated Blackfoot 9-7 getting two runs in the

top of the 7th and won over Lougheed 7-2, again getting four runs in the 7th inning for the lead.

Many parents and fans were out in support and enjoyed the two close games. One fan was Ellen Walker who had several of her family playing: Granddaughter Frances Bates and her daughters Ronda and Cory (the youngest player at 13 years old) and Sandra Braithwaite and her daughter Shannon as Bat Girl.

Joan McDonaled and Frances Bates have done a fantastic job of coaching these players the past five years. In 1984 and 1986 they captured the gold medal and in 1985 they brought home the silver.

Mrs. Shirley Joy from Hinton and her daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Lyle Clark and children spent the week-end visiting with Jim and Christina Honey and other relatives at Dewberry.

Jack and Joyce Brock from Manning spent a few days with Jack's parents, Bill and Lillian Brock and other relatives at Dewberry. They also visited with Joyce's mother, Mrs. Nichols in the Vermilion Valley Lodge.

June White from Victoria and daughter Frankie Molhaza and two

sons from Kelowna spent a week visiting relatives and friends in the Dewberry area. Approximately fifty attended a family gathering on July 12 held at her brother Roy's farm. All the Butz family were present with Inez Hartwell coming from Vermilion, Iris and Harry Willis from Edmonton, Annette and Otto Isert from Cold Lake and Charlotte and Adolph from Dewberry. Several ball games were enjoyed in the evening.

From July 16 - 19, Melie and John Maltais took a bus tour to Regina, Sask. From there they took in the Big Valley Jamboree at Craven, Sask. It was a spectacular show featuring thirty-six stars with sixty thousand in attendance.

Nina and Ivan Conway from Gravenhurst, Ontario and granddaughter Nina spent a few days with their aunt Nina and uncle Frank Smith, and with other relatives at Dewberry. Imagine having three Nina's in one house at one time!!

Dean McMullen, Coach for Vermilion Squirts Ball Team invited two of our local boys, Robby and Marty, sons of Dorsey and Marilyn Butz, to play with his team in the Provincials. Robby was the spare pitcher. There were no zone playoffs but in one exhibition game at Edmonton on June 13 and 14, they placed 2nd in the A event, losing the final game by one run.

In the Provincials held in Vegreville they did very well, placing third.

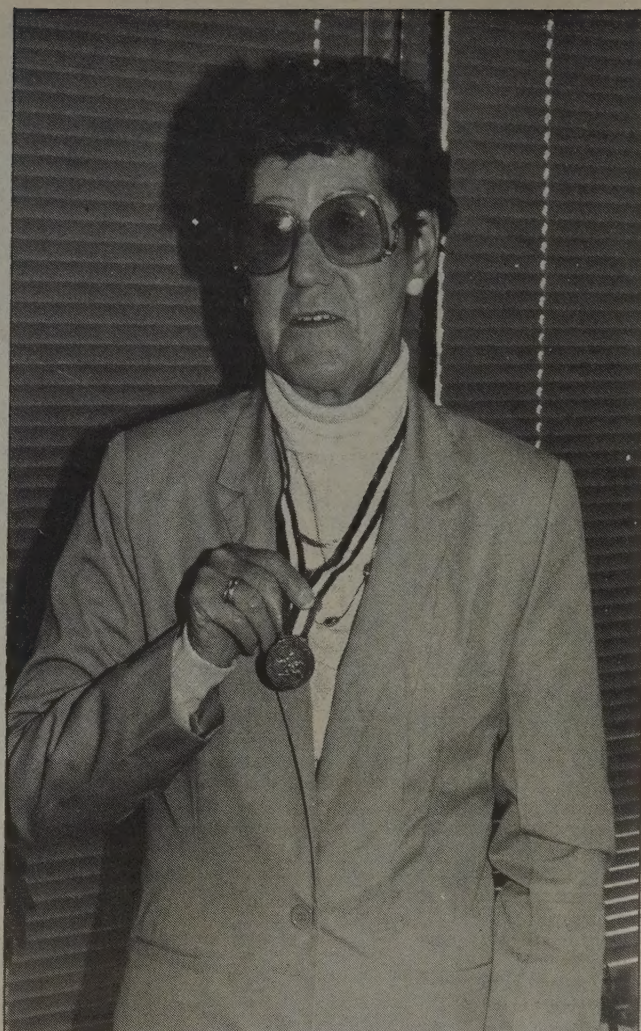
Jack and Laura Rainey motored to Edmonton to accompany their daughter, Kay and Al to Grande Prairie to help Morton and Nancy Timanson celebrate their 25th Anniversary. Donald Rainey went with his sister, Beth Timanson of Vegreville. They reported a good trip with oodles of good food. They have had more rain there than us and the hay crops are really good.

Robby and Marty Butz attended the Vermilion Hockey School from July 12 - 18, whereas Shane Fenton took in the Meadow Lake Hockey School.

Thank you

Thank you for all your kindness shown to us in the loss of our husband, father and grandfather, cards, flowers, baking, visits, phone calls and memorial donations. Words cannot express our gratitude. Thank you to all.

Marie Josephine, Rick
Linda, Pam & Aaron Bartling



SUMMER GAMES GOLD — Was won by Malvina Young of Elk Point in the Cribbage competition at the Summer Games in St. Paul.

Rabies warning

Although no rabid animals or bats have been found in the North Eastern Alberta Health Unit area, Dr. Clarkson, Medical Officer of Health, noted that this summer a rabid skunk has been found near Provost and a rabid cat in Edmonton. Already this month three people have been bitten by dogs in the Health Unit area including an RCMP special constable. Since the dogs disappeared and have not been recovered we have had to vaccinate these victims for the dogs could possibly have been rabid.

Dr. Clarkson advises that, since the disease is invariably fatal, everyone should be particularly careful to avoid handling wild animals. Also details concerning bites caused by wild or domesticated animals should

be reported to the police or the local health unit straight away so that the incident can be investigated and all necessary action instituted immediately including vaccination of the victim if necessary. Cat and dog owners should also ensure their pets are vaccinated against rabies and owners should ensure that their pets do not wander off into the bush. Dr. Clarkson noted that animals can transmit the rabies virus before they develop symptoms of the disease and noted that is why pet dogs and cats have to be detained for observation for ten days to ensure that they do not have the disease. Often the first sign of rabies in an animal is a change in its behaviour including unprovoked attacks.

Oilmen's association

The Board of Directors of the Elk Point Oilmen's Association met on July 6, 1987.

The following items discussed are of public interest. Plans for the annual Golf Tournament are well underway. The Tournament will be held on August 22 and 23. Entry forms are available from Art Lypka (724-4209), Craig Stone (724-4324), or Rod Aasen

(724-3625). The Association plans to donate \$1032.00 for the purchase of tables and chairs for the new Elk Point Golf and Country Clubhouse.

Members please note that membership fees are now due. We welcome any prospective members to contact Byron Mann at 724-4209.

The Association also extends its congratulations to the Canada Day Committee for a fine effort and a most enjoyable day of festivities.

Mike Glover
Secretary, Elk Point
Oilmen's Association

Anniversary celebration

Sunday, August 2, 10:00 a.m., 75th Anniversary Celebration of Holy Ascension Parish-Derwent. Pontifical Divine Liturgy with his Excellency Most Rev. D.M. Greschuk at 10:00 a.m.
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Notices & Information

Development Appeal Board Hearing

NOTICE is hereby served that pursuant to provisions of the Planning Act being Chapter P-9 of the R.S.A. 1980 with amendments thereto that a hearing will be conducted by the Development Appeal Board on Wednesday, August 5, 1987 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers into the following appeal:

Development Permit No. 31/87
Lakeland Oilfield Services
Lot 3, Block 30, Plan 822 2935
5305-46 Street

WATER & SEWER SERVICE INSTALLATION

The Development Appeal Board shall make available for public inspection before the commencement of the public hearing all relevant documents and materials respecting the appeal including the application for the development permit, its approval and the appeal therefrom.

Any person claiming to have an interest in the appeal may appeal at the hearing by registering in writing with the Board Secretary. Dated at Elk Point this 28th day of July, 1987.

L.P. (Pat) Vincent
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Farm women put on jeans, try machines

Approximately 30 farm women from as far away as Clandonald, Heinsburg, St. Lina and Goodridge met in St. Paul last week for an informative and entertaining workshop aimed at helping them to understand farm machinery, its care and handling.

Alberta Agriculture Farm Safety Specialist Eric Jones of Edmonton coordinated the program, which featured segments on parts and buying and farm safety, plus an opportunity to actually climb on and operate various farm machines.

Parts department salesmen from five local machinery dealerships were on hand to answer a myriad of questions regarding the purchase of repairs, and offered tips ranging from "make sure you're at the correct dealership for that make of machine" to the intricacies of measuring roller chain and determining the grade strength of bolts.

Terry Paulichuk of Paulichuk Farm Equipment said he appreciated the opportunity to explain parts buying to the women, and assured them that they are not "the only ones in this (parts purchasing) dilemma - men have trouble with it too!"

Doug Sagen of Case Power and Equipment provided participants with a sheet on which to record serial numbers and statistics of their farm's machines for easier parts buying, in order to speed up purchases at the parts counter.

Claude Labrie of Solar Farm Equipment found the morning educational, and noted "I learned things here today too, and I've been in the business 15 years."

Clem Lozeau of Paul Caouette and

Sons Implements Ltd. and Leo Demoissac of Letourneau Farm Supplies offered further reassurance to the women. Demoissac told the group "don't be scared to bring parts back - partsmen CAN make mistakes!" while Lozeau urged them "don't be shy...and wear a smile."

Eric Jones touched briefly on many aspects of farm safety, beginning with a look at the universal symbols for operator controls on agricultural equipment. Knowing these can help a farm woman to shut off a machine or operate the necessary levers and buttons in a farm emergency, he said. He told the participants that it is vital to be able to operate the machinery in case an accident should occur and the woman finds it necessary to move or shut off equipment.

The necessity of carrying fire extinguishers and first aid kits on equipment and in farm vehicles was emphasized. Jones handed out instructions for making a low-cost first aid kit of emergency supplies which could be used for disasters up to and including severe bleeding or amputation.

Noise-induced hearing loss is common among farmers, who spend many hours in high noise level situations. Jones urged the women to take home and try some simple, inexpensive ear plugs which can cut the decible level considerably. He also outlined a series of hand signals which can be used to communicate in high noise situations.

Farmers "live for the land instead of for themselves" Jones said, and therefore ignore medical checkups and do hazardous things. He sug-

gested that the women encourage safer practises and regular checkups, "but don't go home and try to implement everything at once." Jones also advocated the reduction of stress as a means to prevent accidents.

From the Agriculture office, the women proceeded to the Recreation Centre grounds, where each was encouraged to try her hand at operating tractors, round balers, a swather, grain truck and combines, plus learning how to hook up and disengage hydraulic hoses and power takeoffs, and how to safely operate a grain auger. The importance of leaving the safety shields on machines in place instead of discarding them or setting them aside after repairs are made was emphasized.

Safety was a key issue of the day's activities and the women were made aware of the many hazards around the farm. This was the 23rd workshop in a series which started in Consort last winter and has been developing and improving ever since, Jones said.

Participants were enthusiastic about the workshop, and felt it helped them to learn much needed information. One woman was heard to ruefully remark "We had to have an accident at our farm to learn these things." Hopefully, among the participants of the workshop, that will not be the case in the future.



FIRST HAND GLIMPSE — At what makes a round baler operate is explained to the farm women by Leo Caouette.



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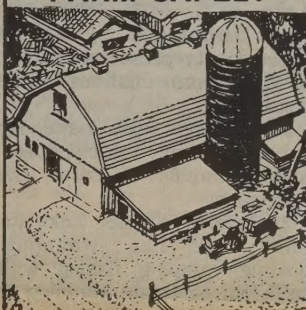
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Farm accidents are nothing new.

In the earliest days of Alberta's agriculture, those who chose to make their living from the soil were hurt, maimed or killed by trees falling the wrong way, runaway teams, hand-dug wells caving in, and lost in blizzards.

With the coming of mechanized farming, the rural population lost limbs in rapidly moving belts, were crushed by toppling tractors and fell into the gobbling maw of threshing machines.

Farm safety wasn't thought of much in those days. Machines did not come with protective shields and roll bars, and obviously a horse was not equipped with an emergency brake.

Things have changed over the years. Today's equipment has warning signs, slow moving signs, shields, roll bars, seat belts, and all manner of safety devices. But still, the rural community has an unnecessarily high number of accident victims.

Poor attitudes toward safety, unsafe working conditions, lack or misuse of safety devices, improper use and maintenance of machinery, fatigue and hurrying to finish a job are among the most common contributing

factors of farm accidents, according to statistics released by Alberta Agriculture for the period from June 1976 to November 1985, during which 1244 farm accidents were reported.

Statistics show that farm accidents cause more than two deaths per month, and more than 2/3 of those injured in farm accidents require more than a week to recover. Farm machinery was involved in the largest proportion of accidents, with livestock second. Tractors were involved in 21.3 percent of the machinery-related accidents, with combines taking up another 16.2 percent and augers 12.6 percent.

July 26 to August 1 is Farm Safety Week. Farmers are very busy at this time of year, getting the haying finished and preparing for the upcoming harvest. However, it does not take very long to walk around the farmyard and machinery and check for potential hazards. That brief period could save months in a hospital bed or years in a wheelchair, and could give someone on your farm many more years of life to enjoy.

Take care. Your family loves you.

Just not the same

Remember going to the lake in the "good old days"? The beach packed with sunburned bodies, the water near shore filled with splashing swimmers, while further out boats pulling waterskiers threw up glinting clouds of spray...

That was a familiar scene at Whitney Lake, as little as 4 or 5 years ago. The campsites jam-packed all weekend, the parking lot full to capacity and then some, huge crowds of up to 800 or 1000 people enjoying summer to the fullest.

In contrast, last Sunday, hottest day of one of the best weekends weather-wise, all season, the parking lot at Whitney held, at one point, 45 vehicles. Sunbathers had lots of room

to spread out on the 2/3 empty beach, while at the busiest time in an hour's stretch, 12 people were in the roped off swimming area, with another half dozen outside it. Not a boat marred the ripples of the lake. All was relatively quiet and serene, with less than 200 people on hand.

Where was everyone? Why doesn't anyone go to Whitney anymore? Is it because there is no overnight camping, or have water sports and sunning simply lost their appeal?

Whatever the cause, this Lakeland beauty spot is not being used to its potential. And that seems a real shame, especially to those of us who savor memories of this particular area in its heydays.



WHERE HAVE ALL THE PEOPLE GONE? — Whitney Lake drowns, uncrowded, beneath the broiling

summer Sunday sun, a far cry from the frolicking crowds of years gone by.

Whitney Lake concerns, proposals

Prior to commencing planning and construction at Whitney Lake Park, local representations were sought by visiting government representatives. The local recommendations made were:

1. Develop Ross Lake for fishing, with only sufficient overnight camping to serve the fishermen.
2. Develop Whitney Lake for family use, i.e., swimming, boating, camping, fishing, with sufficient overnight camping to accommodate those families.
3. Develop the north-west corner of Laurier Lake to a much lesser extent also for family use (swimming, boating, water skiing, fishing) with some inexpensive overnight camping.

For reasons not provided to our local communities (Marwayne, Dewberry, Clondonald, Heinsburg, Frog Lake, Lindbergh, Elk Point) the Alta. Parks Department chose rather to develop hundreds of rather extravagant camping sites at Ross Lake and delay development at the other two lakes. However, interest in camping at Ross Lake has never developed for several reasons:

1. The lake is considered too dirty and too weedy for swimming.
2. Much of the lake is unsafe for children due to sudden drop-off into very deep water.
3. Developed beach areas are too far from most camping sites.
4. Fishing at present is limited to northern pike; therefore most fishermen are not interested in Ross Lake.
5. There is no trailer filling or dumping facility at Ross Lake.
6. There are no rinse-off showers on any of the beach areas.
7. Steep banks make access to the beach difficult for campers.
8. Camp sites are too secluded from each other.
9. The lake is too small for safe or satisfactory water skiing.

Most of the local camping population do not wish to camp at Ross Lake after trying it once. Many of these people used to camp at Whitney Lake prior to the ban on overnight camping there. In spite of little or no actual camp-site development, it was heavily used all summer. Since overnight camping was prohibited there, Whitney Lake has become virtually deserted.

In the past year or two access to Laurier Lake has been greatly reduced by private development around the lake. With the exception of two or three very small county reserve areas, there is no public camping available on Laurier Lake, which is the largest of the three lakes, and is the most suitable for water skiing.

For approximately five years, large areas of land (approximately four or five quarter sections) have been virtually closed to human use, and this is bitterly resented. These areas contain blueberries, cranberries, saskatoon berries, hazelnuts, mushrooms, etc., which were previously always available to humans. They are now available to wildlife only. Humans also previously utilized these areas for horseback riding, bicycling, skidooring, etc. These activities are now banned.

In order to restore interest and use of the Whitney Lakes park we are recommending the following:

WHITNEY LAKE

1. Provide overnight camping with inexpensive open camp sites (not secluded) with supervision similar to Garner Lake Provincial Park, operated by private enterprise with a nominal fee, or as your department deems necessary. This should cost very little to develop.
2. Install beach rinse-off showers to help control swimmers' itch.
3. Investigate use of chemical control of the itch parasite. (Apparently chemicals are available to control algae in trout-stocked dugouts, and these chemicals are not harmful to the fish).
4. Control the weed problem (weed harvester or chemicals).
5. Stock walleye
6. Provide a government-owned, or permit a privately owned concession stand for refreshments, boat rentals, etc. This was always a major attraction at the Whitney Lake beach.
7. Provide insurance coverage to permit resumption of Red Cross swimming lessons.

ROSS LAKE

1. Stock walleye - the favorite fish of most fishermen, and one that can thrive along with northern pike.
2. Provide a trailer dumping station and facility for filling with fresh water.
3. Install rinse-off showers for

swimmers.

4. Install more toilets.
5. Control the weeds.
6. Restrict the speed of boats.
7. Pack snow skiing trails, similar to those provided at the Cold Lake and Vermilion Provincial parks. Park facilities at Whitney Lake include the equipment for packing ski trails. We feel the cost of manning this equipment would be minimal. Actually, current parks' employees at Whitney Lake could probably run the equipment. "No snow machines" signs should also be posted along the trail to prevent damage to the hiking trail (where we ski), as has occurred this winter.

LAURIER LAKE

1. Develop a small area along the north-west portion of the lake for casual overnight camping. Very little land disruption would be required.
2. Develop a portion of the north-west beach for swimming. This area has excellent beach potential, requiring only weed control.

3. Control the weeds everywhere in the lake.

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY AREAS

1. Allow skiing, skidooring, bicycling, horseback riding.
2. Allow picking of berries, nuts and mushrooms (as does Meadow Lake Provincial Park).
3. Develop a long-range plan for a golf course.

HOOKEY LAKE

(Near Whitney Lake)

1. Stock Rainbow Trout, and provide for winter aeration of the lake.

Racewalkers win at Provincials

Elk Point was well represented at the Provincial Track and Field Championships in Calgary, July 17-19. Janice McCaffrey and Holly Burton placed first and second respectively in the 5 km Racewalk event.

Next month Elk Point will be represented in Ottawa as the two women compete at the National Track and Field Championships, August 1. Good luck to Janice and Holly!



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Dreamers celebrates grand opening

An airborne bouquet of colorful balloons provided a cherry welcome to visitors to the July 24 grand opening celebrations at Dreamers Gift and Craft Shop, across from the Elk Point Post Office.

Those who had not seen the premises since the Lakeland Review had the newspaper and print shop there, were in for a big surprise, as the then rather dingy space has been transformed with fresh lilac paint and soft grey carpet, eye-catching lattice divider walls and a huge array of unique giftware into a veritable treasure chest of giftware.

Giant oriental fans and horizontal scrolls, padded calendars and wall hangings with Canadian wildlife designs, bright fabric bags to carry baby essentials, wicker elephant tables, glinting brassware, flower and ribbon trimmed baskets, and countless other one of a kind items fill the front part of the shop. The former pressroom, its inkstains gone forever, holds a wide array of supplies for crafts ranging from ceramics to leather tooling to stained glass.

Numerous well-wishers stopped by during the day to enjoy coffee and

doughnuts, enter their names for the draw and welcome the new business owners, Jerri and Clayton Flynn, to Elk Point's shopping district.

Winners of the draws were Tracy Heathcote, who won a large floral arrangement in a wicker basket; Janice McCaffrey, who won a handsome clock; Anne Uchman, who won note pads; and Victor Stepa, who won a gift certificate for a pizza, donated by Dave's Pizza.

Congratulations on a very successful day and best wishes for continued success to the Flynns!



GORGEOUS GIFTWARE — is proudly displayed by Jerri Flynn of Dreamers, during last Friday's grand opening.

80 years of history

Editors Note: The following address was presented at the 1987 Canada Day celebrations by Frank Mayner, President of the Elk Point and District Historical Society.

Elk Point
Canada Day 1987

Today we have assembled to celebrate two very special events: 80 years of permanent settlement in this area, and the 25th Anniversary of the Town of Elk Point.

Speaking on behalf of Elk Point and District Historical Society. I am going to address the former, by recalling for you two events from each decade, that our society feels were of special significance and influence in those 80 years.

In the first decade, from 1900 to 1910 the choices were fairly easy. The first was the fact of settlement itself, which began here in 1907. It is interesting to note that descendants of many of the men who came at that time are here still. I think of such names as Markstad, Aarbo, Pinder, Magnusson, Babcock, Jacobson, Loftus, Smith, Vanarnam. Of further interest is the fact that several of their descendants still own and in many cases live on, the exact quarter homesteaded by their father or grandfather. That's continuity and commitment for you!

The second event of that decade was the establishment of Elk Point School District #2005. The lumber for that first school was purchased in Edmonton. Rafted down river to a spot about 3½ miles south of the school site (SE¼ of 5-57-6-W4) and hauled from there by O.J. Fish and Tom Aarbo with a mixed team of horses and oxen.

In placing education as its #1 priority so long ago, this community has never changed.

From 1911 to 1920 improved communications suddenly desolated the Elk Point area. After May 1, 1911 mail could be addressed directly to the Elk Point post office and although carriers still had to haul it from Vermilion, we got it twice weekly, "Come hell or high water" as one old carrier said.

Then in 1913 the Elk Point Ferry was installed, and it established the connection with settlers south of the river. Much of the strength of this town has come from there ever since.

Between 1921 - 30 this area was privileged to enjoy the work of two dedicated medical men, Dr. F.G. Miller and Dr. A. Ross. From the time their small private hospital opened in 1923 until their partnership ended 47 years later, they gave this area medical care far above that normally enjoyed in pioneer districts, and there is no doubt this did a lot to attract families to settle here.

The second half of this decade focused appropriately on agriculture. With the coming of the railroad in 1927 we got a stockyard, a creamery with full service and three elevators, within two years. We are still, 60 years later, primarily an agricultural community.

From 1931 to 1940 the retail outlets expanded and we got such things as

hair dressers and barber shops in addition to the regular stores and dealerships. But not one of these was really more significant than another. However, in local government a very important step was taken. On June 27, 1938 Elk Point became a village. It is amusing to note that By-Law #1 dealt with dogs running at large, and licensing of same.

The second high impact event was the departure of many of our young men and women to war, and war work.

Between 1941 and 1950 surely the safe return of most of our war veterans was #1 in importance and grief for those who didn't come home was felt by all.

The second very influential development in that period was the establishment, in 1948, of the Elk Point Gas Company and the ensuing installations in homes, businesses and institutions. If the farmers who had previously hauled wood to town, and the dray men who had shovelled dusty coal from box cars lost some income over this, certainly the sigh of relief from the school and hospital janitors indicated the counter balancing good.

Early in the decade 1951 - 60 the rural community seemed suddenly to be echoing with the sound of machinery. Gas rationing was forgotten, sons were home, farms were expanding, tractors, swathers, combines appeared in every field and cars and trucks in every yard. We pretended we had never heard of horses, harrow carts, stooking and threshing machines.

In town, the big step forward was the installation of water and sewer. You have to have been one of the "lucky" ones who carried in every drop of water your family needed, and then lugged it all out again, used, to really grasp the implications of this utility service. Small wonder that water quality was not job one at first!

For those here, I am sure you will

know what at least one of my selections for the 1961 - 70 decade has to be - yes - the silver anniversary of the town status of Elk Point which happened on February 3, 1962. And the second choice relates to this, because it was done by the town council in recognition of a growing need. A recreation board was formed, then minor hockey organized. A four sheet curling rink was built and later an artificial ice plant was installed. Plans for the arena were started. Organized recreation for all ages came into its own. Evidently, we at last had some leisure hours to fill.

Between 1971 and 1980 the events are primarily town oriented. First was the paving project - a boom to both those who lived here and those who came in to do business. One old timer was heard to say as he stepped out of the mud and on to the pavement the first day - "I never thought I'd live to see this!" Funny how quickly we learn to take things for granted!! This was followed by a veritable "building boom" that used all the available residential lots. Necessitating the large land annexation that was begun in 1977-1978 and is our choice for the second most important development in that decade of the town's growth.

And that brings us to the 1980's. I'd like to dwell on things of significance to us as a historical society - like the closure of the Arrow Theatre, known to old timers as Arnett's Hall, that served the areas well since 1931 - but faced with the effect of heavy oil recovery, one has to choose the latter for its startling and wide spread impact on both town and country. Since the decade isn't over, I hesitate to choose a second influence. I could well be proved quite wrong with the passing of the next 3 years. But let's suppose, for now, that this celebration we have gathered for today is it. To weld this double anniversary, homecoming, and Canada Day

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Thank You

To all those from Elk Point and District, who made our "Dreamers" Grand Opening such a huge success. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Jerri and Clayton Flynn

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Jaws of life campaign

By Russ Hebblethwaite

President, Elk Point Firefighters Assoc.

I'd like to take this opportunity to update the community on the progress of our "Jaws of Life" fund raising effort. To date we have received \$14,239 (with interest) through private, group and corporate donations toward our goal of \$19,166.00. As you can see, we are approximately \$5,000 short, albeit a big \$5,000 if donations fall off. All of our large companies and groups have already donated so we don't expect future growth by "Leaps & Bounds". The time has come for small business and private citizens' donations to push our effort to the top. A donation of any size is greatly needed and appreciated.

A motor vehicle accident that the fire department responded to last week increased our eagerness to fulfill our goal and purchase our life

saving equipment. Last week we, and the occupant of the vehicle, were lucky that we were able to free him with the basic tools we have!

I'd like to thank each and every person, group and company who so generously brought us this far.

I also give very special thanks to all those who helped us out and to all that came out and supported our July 1 beerfest, which raised \$2095 toward the "Jaws of Life".

Special thanks also to:

Double K Corral; Hilltop Cafe; The Canada Day Committee; Elk Point Elks; Universal Bottle Depot.

Following is an updated list of all who donated to date:

Elk Point Volunteer Firemen - \$1,000; Amoco Canada Petroleum - \$1,500; Leeway Heavy Oil Ltd. - \$100; J.M.B. Crushing - \$41; Elk Point Curling Club - \$100; Mrs. Odegarden - \$50; CUPE Local #1070 - \$200; United

Grain Growers Local #442 - \$50; United Nurses of Alberta Local #26 - \$200; Westmin Resources Ltd. - \$500; Byron Mann - \$100; Capitol Drugs Elk Point Ltd. - \$25; Energy and Chemical Workers Union Local #474 - \$100; Murphy Oil Co. Ltd. - \$1,000; Ian Huffman - \$100; Universal Bottle Depot - \$20; B.G. Kleeburger - \$50; Windsor Good Will Fund - \$100; King George Community Hall - \$300; Elk Point Pioneer Circle - \$100; ABC Cafe - \$100; Canadian Occidental Petroleum Ltd. - \$1,000; Elk Point Gas Ltd. - \$100; Elks Lodge #460 - \$200; Sparky's Oilfield Service - \$50; Elk Point Insurance Ltd. - \$100; Robertson Construction - \$100; Elk Point OORP Lodge #269 - \$1,000; Elk Point 4-H Beef Club - \$150; Marshall Kachmar - \$100; Allan Frankiw - \$100; Elk Point Volunteer Firefighters' Assn. (Canada Day proceeds) - \$2,095; Canadian Salt Co. - \$1,500; St. Paul & District Co-op - \$250; Tarsands Steam Cleaning Ltd. - \$100.

Donations can be made out to: "Jaws of Life Fund" and mailed to Elk Point Firefighters Association, Box 727, Elk Point, AB. T0A 1A0.



O.O.R.P. DONATES TO JAWS OF LIFE — Honored Royal Lady Jeannine Boratynec presents Russ Hebblethwaite of the Firefighters Association with \$1,000 toward the Jaws of Life Fund.



CO-OP DONATION — Elk Point Co-op manager Rodger McLaughlin presents a donation from the Co-op to Russ Hebblethwaite for the Jaws of Life Fund, which is growing daily toward its goal.

Players named for the 1987 AAHA provincial camp

Red Deer, AB — Fifty-two (52) of the top under 17 (born in 1971) hockey prospects in Alberta will gather at the University of Alberta, in Edmonton, July 19-26, 1987 for a development camp designed to help identify players for future International competition. Among these players is Murray Palamarek of Elk Point, who played for the Ft. Saskatchewan Midgets in the 1986-87 season.

The players will participate in a week of intense on-ice instruction, provided by some of Alberta and Canada's top amateur coaches. In addition they will receive valued information on topics such as nutrition, fitness, emotional control and a special session designed to provide information on all the available hockey options open to them.

The camp is part of the Alberta Amateur Hockey Association's Olympic Game Plan which is designed to provide Albertan's with the best opportunities to strive for excellence in three (3) areas as coaches, athletes and referees. It is the AAHA's hope that this plan will increase the chances of Albertans being represented at the 1988 and 1992 Winter Olympic Games. This program is assisted by funding from the Alberta Sport Council.

At the conclusion of the Alberta camp, twenty-two (22) Alberta players will be selected to join twenty-two (22) British Columbia players to participate in the C.A.H.A.'s Program of Excellence

Regional Under 17 Program. The Pacific Region selection camp will be held in Calgary, Alberta from August 13-19, 1987. This selection camp is part of the Esso Program of Excellence, a project of the C.A.H.A., and is sponsored by Esso Petroleum Canada, and the Government of Canada Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch.

For more information: Mr. Ray Bennett or Mr. Rick Polutnik, Alberta Amateur Hockey Association, (403) 342-6777.

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party all into one event took a lot of work and planning by a lot of people. We had to look back over where we've been - and that always shows a community what cooperation can accomplish. It also fixes in the minds of some, where we have to go next. And so progress continues. One thing has surely become evident. Community spirit is alive and well in the Elk Point area.

Today, let's take some time to be nostalgic, maybe even a bit emotional as we greet old friends and look back over old times. But above all, let us all be proud of our small part in 80 years of progress.

Lioness parade successful

By Susan Frisby

On behalf of the Lioness Club I would like to thank everyone who made Canada Day Parade 1987 such a great success. The participation of the R.C.M.P. to lead the parade, the clubs, organizations, business, and any individuals and people from out of town made the parade such a success. The Elk Point and District Light Horse Club Wagon Train sure made the grand finale! Congratulations to all the winners!

Thank you to all the judges who had a difficult job to do. Each and every one was a winner in the 1987 Canada Day Parade. Thanks to our committee and also to Canada Day Committee members for their support, and also the Town Public Works crew for their co-operation on providing road blocks in Canada Day.

We hope to see next year's parade just as successful! Thank you!



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